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In re Application of

PETER HEMINGWAY

Continuation of

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Examiner: Chen Wenpeng

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For: METHOD OF INTERPOLATION

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to examination of the above-referenced Continuation Application Under Rule 53 (b) of Application Serial No. 09/527,860, filed on March 17, 2000 which in turn is based on European Application EP 99302139.3 filed March 19, 1999 entitled "Method of Interpolation", priority being hereby claimed under 35 USC 119 and 120 based on these applications, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to Specification begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.

Amendment to the Drawings are reflected in Remarks.